

# CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA

# CITY CLERK'S SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTIONS Regular Meeting of Monday, April 23, 2012 - 7:00 p.m. City Hall – Council Chambers

AGENDA ITEM#	SUBJECT	ACTION TAKEN
1.	Call to Order/Roll Call	All present. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.
2.	Invocation	Offered by Vice Mayor Lob.
	Salute to the Flag	The audience participated.
		Students from Miami Springs Elementary School led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
		Mayor Garcia presented baseball caps to the students who participated in the "I Led the Pledge" program.
3.	Awards & Presentations	
3A)	Officer of the Month	Chief of Police Peter G. Baan presented the March 2012 Officer of the Month Award to Officer Robert A. Evans for saving the life of a cardiac arrest victim.
		Mr. Juvvadi, whose life was saved, was present to thank Officer Evans although no words can express his appreciation to him for saving his life.

# 4. Open Forum:

**Bullying Prevention Initiative** 

Kim Werner of 1016 Meadowlark Avenue, a school counselor for Nautilus Middle School in Miami Beach and a trained Obeyus bullying prevention trainer invited counselors from the four local schools to support the initiative against bullying.

Ms. Werner announced that a presentation will be held at the Rebeca Sosa Theatre on Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30 p.m. that will be followed by an opportunity for the community to come together and ask questions about bullying.

Mayor Garcia volunteered to assist Ms. Werner in making copies and circulating information.

William Barnett of 153 Navarre expressed his concern about missing ducks in his neighborhood. The ducks were in danger of getting hits by cars and he called City Hall on April 9<sup>th</sup> asking for a "Duck Crossing" sign. He spoke with Mayor Garcia and Assistant Public Works Director Robert Williams; however he did not receive the name of the County representative to contact in regard to the sign.

Mr. Burnett suspects that someone removed or relocated the ducks. The City is a bird sanctuary and the ducks are part of the ambiance and what makes Miami Springs a wonderful place to live.

**Ducks** 

5.	Approval of Council Minutes	
5A)	04-09-2012 Regular Meeting	Minutes of the April 9, 2012 Regular Meeting were approved as written.  Motion: Councilman Best Second: Vice Mayor Lob  Vote: 5-0
6.	Reports from Boards & Comm	issions
6A)	Golf and Country Club Advisory Board	Minutes of the April 11, 2012 Golf and Country Club Advisory Board meeting were received for information without comment.
6B)	Board of Parks and Parkways	Minutes of the April 12, 2012 Board of Parks and Parkways meeting were received for information without comment.
6C)	Revitalization and Redevelopment Ad-Hoc Committee	nt Cancellation Notice of the April 16, 2012 Revitalization and Redevelopment Ad- Hoc Committee meeting was received for information without comment.
6D)	Education Advisory Board	Minutes of the April 17, 2012 Education Advisory Board meeting were received for information without comment.
7.	Public Hearings:	None
8.	Consent Agenda:	
8A)	CMI Construction	Council authorized the City Manager to reduce the contract retainage and distribute 50% or \$153,282.17 subject to executing the construction close-out settlement agreement with Carivon Construction.  Motion: Councilman Espino Second: Councilman Best Vote: 5-0

#### 9. Old Business:

9A) Advisory Board Appointments

Councilman Best (Group I) reappointed Kevin Berounsky to the Board of Adjustment/Zoning and Planning Board for a full 3-year term ending on April 30, 2015.

Councilman Best (Group I) reappointed Maria Garrett to the Code Review Board for a full 3-year term ending on April 30, 2015.

Councilman Best (Group I) reappointed Martin Crossland to the Ecology Board for a full 3-year term ending on April 30, 2015.

9B) Resolution No. 2012-3541 Adopted on 4-9-2012

By consensus, Council directed the City Clerk to forward Resolution No. 2012-3541 to the Elections Department and to secure information on the requirements for placing another question on the ballot to fill a vacant Council seat

9C) Red Light Cameras: Status Report

Council **received** a status report on the red light cameras.

9D) Historic Tax Credit: CMI

Council **authorized** the Administration to execute the Main Street America Group term sheet and if in the Manager's discretion he feels he does not get the proper answers, he would

convene a Special Meeting.

Motion: Councilman Espino
Second: Councilwoman Ator

Vote: 5-0

10. New Business:

10A) Budget Transfers

Council **approved** budget transfers within departments as submitted.

**Motion:** Vice Mayor Lob **Second:** Councilwoman Ator

Vote: 5-0

10B)	Workers Compensation
	Insurance – FLC

Council **selected** the Florida League of Cities to manage the City's Workers Compensation Insurance in an annual amount of \$226,830, pursuant to Section 31.11 (C) (2) of the City Code.

Motion: Councilwoman Ator Second: Councilman Best Vice Mayor Lob: "aye" Councilman Best: "aye" Councilman Espino: "no" Councilwoman Ator: "aye"

Mayor Garcia: "aye"

Vote: 4-1

10C) Resolution No. 2012-3542

Council adopted a resolution establishing a City Youth Advisory Council; providing for Council membership, appointment procedures, term of membership, meetings of the Council, Council officers and duties, City support services, school support services, absences of members, applicable law, Council duties and responsibilities; continuity of Council.

Motion: Councilman Best Second: Councilman Espino

Vote: 5-0

10D) Resolution No. 2012-3543

Council **adopted** a resolution amending the Schedule of Golf Charges and Fees for the operation of the Miami Springs Golf and Country Club; reserving the right and authority to amend or supplement the Schedule of Charges.

**Motion:** Councilwoman Ator **Second:** Vice Mayor Lob

**Vote:** 5-0

10E) FY2011-12 2Q Budget Status Report (Unaudited)

Council **received** the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 unaudited second quarter budget

status report.

10F) Ordinance No. 1034-2012

On first reading Council approved, as amended, an ordinance amending Code of Ordinance Section 150-011, Utility Shed, by defining and providing regulations governing the location, size and maintenance of portable storage modules; providing an exception to regulation for storage containers.

Motion: Councilman Espino Second: Vice Mayor Lob Vice Mayor Lob: "aye" Councilman Best: "aye" Councilman Espino: "aye" Councilwoman Ator: "no" Mayor Garcia: "aye"

Vote: 4-1

10G) Quality Cities Magazine Ad

Council **approved** a full page, 4-color ad for publication in the Quality Cities magazine celebrating the 86<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Florida League of Cities which will be held in Hollywood, Florida during August 23-25, 2012.

Motion: Councilman Best Second: Councilman Espino

Vote: 5-0

10H) Westward Dr. Median Project

Council **approved** an expenditure to Southeast Design Services, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$9,800.00, for architectural and design services for the Westward Drive Median Project, pursuant to Section 31.11 (C)

(2) of the City Code.

**Motion:** Councilman Best **Second:** Councilwoman Ator

**Vote:** 5-0

10I) Ordinance No. 1035-2012

On first reading Council **approved** an amendment to Code of Ordinance Section 150-164, Northwest 36<sup>TH</sup> Street, by clarifying and expanding the principal permitted uses and corresponding qualifying conditions; correcting the minimum floor area ratio; clarifying the height limitations of structures; revising the required materials for construction of pedestrian walkways and bike paths; establishing applicability of Code

Section 93-10 for dumpster enclosures; clarifying landscaping requirements; expanding the defined height of parking lot lighting fixtures; expanding prohibited

amenity advertising; providing a

substitute exemption provision from the applicability of the district boundary

regulations.

**Motion:** Councilwoman Ator **Second:** Vice Mayor Lob

Vote: 5-0

10J) PBA Contract Negotiations Item pulled from the Agenda.

11. Other Business: None

12. Reports & Recommendations:

12A) City Attorney None

12b) City Manager

Springs River Festival City Manager Gorland expressed his

appreciation to the Springs River Festival Committee for organizing a

great event.

Congratulations City Manager Gorland congratulated the

family of Councilman Espino on pending

parenthood.

# 12B) Storytime

City Manager Gorland announced that the Miami Springs Community Center will host Storytime on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for children ages 2-4. Local resident and City of Hialeah Fire Chief Karl Odin will be the special guest reader.

# Little League

City Manager Gorland reported that the Miami Springs Little League will host a regional "Pitch, Hit, Run" contest at Prince Field for boys and girls ages 7-12 on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from 4-8 p.m.

#### Pioneer Gala Dinner Dance

City Manager Gorland reminded everyone of the Miami Springs Historical Society Pioneer Gala Dinner Dance on Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at the Miami Springs Country Club from 6-10 p.m. with the theme "In the Spirit of Miami Springs." Everyone is invited to attend and dress in character from the 1920's, 1930's and 1940's.

#### Relay for Life

City Manager Gorland announced that the 2012 American Cancer Society Relay for Life will be held at the Circle on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> and a large turn-out is expected.

# 12C) City Council

#### Springs River Festival

Councilwoman Ator was able to attend the Springs River Festival on Friday and heard from her family that the event was wonderful. She was gone for a few days with her sister and mother and when she came home it was reported that her kids had two fish that had already died.

#### 12C)

"Wizards in Wonderlands"

Councilwoman Ator appreciated the support of the other Council members and Commissioner Rebeca Sosa for the Pelican Playhouse production "Wizards in Wonderlands." Her son is in the production and he did very well in the second act. The performance will continue on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.

AIE Charter School Movie Night

Councilwoman Ator reported that the AIE Charter School will be holding a Movie Night at the school on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. to raise funds for their playground.

Miami Springs/Virginia Gardens Soccer Club

Councilwoman Ator reported that she received an invitation to the Miami Springs/Virginia Gardens Soccer Club fundraiser at Woody's on Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup>.

Relay for Life

Councilwoman Ator is looking forward to attending the American Cancer Society Relay for Life and hopes to see everyone at the event.

"Wizards in Wonderlands"

Councilman Best saw the production "Wizards in Wonderlands" on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. He thanked County Commissioner Rebeca Sosa for the Proclamation she gave to Ralph Wakefield and Nancy Jones for the Pelican Playhouse, which is very special. The performance is excellent and Councilwoman Ator's son is a character who has the skills to perform on stage. The production will continue at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 27th and Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, with the final performance at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.

# 12C) Springs River Festival

Councilman Best felt that the Springs River Festival event went very well and he thanked the Police Department for their assistance during the event without any incidents.

#### Springs River Festival

Councilman Espino thanked the Springs River Festival Committee for putting together another successful event. He spent a lot of time there during the three days and there were many wonderful booths selling everything from corn to stone crab claws.

"Wizards in Wonderlands"

Councilman Espino commented that the Pelican Playhouse production of "Wizards in Wonderlands" was fantastic and the performance was very funny.

# Congratulations

Councilman Espino congratulated the woman's group at Blessed Trinity for hosting their bi-annual retreat and it is great to see a group of individuals who give so much of themselves to the community and their faith.

# Miami Springs/Virginia Gardens Soccer Club

Councilman Espino announced that the Miami Springs/Virginia Gardens Soccer Club is hosting a fundraiser for the woman's team at Woody's on Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 4-8 p.m. It will be a good time for all with food and entertainment and the proceeds will go to the team for travel to a Disney tournament.

#### Relay for Life

Councilman Espino mentioned that the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Relay for Life is being called the "River Cities Relay for Life" due to the involvement of the Town of Medley. The event begins at noon on Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> and ends at 6:00 a.m. on Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, with entertainment, activities and teams selling refreshments.

# 12C) Relay for Life (Continued)

Councilman Espino stated that the Woman's Club will host the survivor luncheon at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday and anyone who plans to attend should R.S.V.P. to the Club. This year the "Honorary Fighter" is Medley

Councilwoman Griselia DiGiacomo who

is battling cancer.

Parenthood

Councilman Espino was happy to report that he and his wife are expecting their first child. He thanked everyone in the community who reached out to them with support and accolades. He looks forward to having his son or daughter taking part in community activities.

Springs River Festival 5K Run

Councilman Best mentioned that he is very proud of his daughter Kristen who placed first in her class and fourth overall in the Springs River Festival 5K Run.

Congratulations

Vice Mayor Lob congratulated Councilman Espino and his wife for expecting their first child. He wished him the best of luck as a father.

Health Fair

Mayor Garcia reported that the City hosted the first Health Fair at the Community Center on Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup> from 5-8 p.m. that was organized by the Barry College School of Nursing. He congratulated the nurses for a good turn-out and said they are planning next year's event.

Springs River Festival

Mayor Garcia congratulated the Springs River Festival Committee members for one of the best events that he had ever attended. He received many positive comments. He participated in the Chili Cook-off and congratulated Woody's for winning first place in the contest.

# 12C) Optimist Archery Club

Mayor Garcia added that the new favorite at the Springs River Festival was the Optimist Club archery tent. He is very excited for the Archery Club and the new archery booth.

Vice Mayor Lob said that the archery tent had approximately 300 participants and the Archery Club is gaining many members.

#### Godfather

Mayor Garcia announced that he became the Godfather of his nephew Matthew who is his sister's son. During the process of the paperwork, it was determined from the photographs that he was baptized at Blessed Trinity Church in 1976.

#### Reunion

Mayor Garcia explained that approximately 22 years ago, someone in his family gave up one of their children for adoption, which was his cousin, and he was recently reunited with the family. He took his cousin to the Miami Heat game and enjoyed the time. It has been a happy month for the Garcia family.

## 13. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:48 p.m.